Subject combination of B. Ed. Courses

608. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that most of the Universities are conducting B. Ed. Courses offering social studies stream with Hindi and one subject of social studies to the commerce graduates;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that almost all the organizations prescribe two specific papers of Social Studies excluding Hindi as essential eligibility criteria for recruiting TGTs (Social Studies) and do not consider Hindi as a paper of Social Science and thus such commerce graduates holding B. Ed. degrees are not eligible to apply for TGT (Social Studies) anywhere; and

(c) the action Government propose to mitigate the problems of such candidates?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) The National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) is responsible for the Maintenance and Coordination of the Standards of Teacher Education. According to the NCTE, the Council has not prescribed any combination of subjects for different streams in B.Ed, courses. The syllabi followed can accordingly vary from University to University. No centralizaed information is maintained in respect of the combination of subjects offered by each University.

Entrance Exam for IIT and IIM in Gulf Countries

†609. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to conduct entrance examinations for admission in IIT and IIM in gulf countries; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the date from which these examinations will be conducted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) and

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.